

GREEN, THOMAS ---- Born June 8, 1814 in Amelia County, Virginia, a son of Nathan and Mary (Field) Green. Judge Nathan Green was a member of the Tennessee Supreme Court at the time of his death. He and Judge Abram Caruthers founded the Lebanon Law School of Lebanon Tennessee.

Other children of Judge and Mrs. Nathan Green were, John A., Sydney, Hal, Alexander, Robert, Nathan, and Anna Green. Anna was married to a Mr. Bowden.

Thomas Green attended first, the University of Tennessee and later Princeton College. In 1834 he studied law. In Headright Certificate No. 38 for one-third of a league of land issued to him in 1838 by the Board of Land Commissioners for Fayette County it is stated that he arrived in Texas in December 1835. On January 14, 1836 he enlisted in the Volunteer Auxiliary Corps of the Texas Army at Nacogdoches. He received Bounty Certificate No. 723 for 640 acres of land December 5, 1837 for serving in the army from January 14 to July 15, 1836. At San Jacinto he was a member of Captain Isaac N. Moreland's Company of artillery and on August 19, 1838 he received Donation Certificate No. 515 for 640 acres of land for having participated in the battle. In Comptroller's Military Service Record No. 5820 it is certified that on May 6, 1836 he was appointed Assistant Adjutant General, serving until May 30, 1836.

At the expiration of his enlistment period Mr. Green returned to Tennessee, but came back to Texas in 1837. He was Engrossing Clerk of the Senate of the 6th Congress. In 1841 he was appointed Clerk

of the Supreme Court of Texas, holding that position until Texas entered the Union. After annexation, he was appointed Clerk of the Supreme Court of the State, serving until the year 1861.

In 1841 Mr. Green joined the expedition headed by Colonel John S. Moore against Indians on the upper Colorado River. He was Captain of the Travis County Volunteers in the Vasquez campaign and Inspector General of the Somervell Expedition, 1842. At the outbreak of the Mexican war he raised the first company of volunteers recruited in Texas, serving as Captain of a company in Colonel John C. Hay's Regiment. Owing to his position as Clerk of the Supreme Court, he was unable to remain permanently with the army.

Captain Green entered the Confederate Army in the war between the states as Colonel of a regiment in Sibley's Brigade and was in action in the battle of Val Verde in New Mexico. He rose to the rank of Brigadier General and was in immediate command of the forces that captured Galveston, December 31, 1862. He was transferred to Louisiana, where he won many victories. He was killed at Blair's Landing, Louisiana, April 12, 1862. His remains were returned to Texas interred in Oakwood Cemetery, May 2, 1864.

General Green was married January 31, 1847 at Austin to Mary Wallace Chalmers by the Reverend Homer S. Thrall, pioneer Methodist Minister. Miss Chalmers was a daughter of Dr. John C. Chalmers and Mary Wallace Chalmers. Dr. Chalmers was Secretary of the Treasury of the Republic during President Lamar's administration.

Mrs. Green died at Austin in February 1866. Children of General

94
and Mrs. Green were (1) Mary, (2) Eliza, (3) Alice, (4) Jeanette (5) Tom and (6) Laura Green.

(1) Mary Green was married to Dr. R. N. Lane. Mrs. Lane died in Eagle Pass May 29, 1926. Dr. Lane died in September 1909. Their children were Richard and William B. Lane.

(2) Eliza Green was married to Judge Matthew Neil of Trenton, Tennessee. Mrs. Neill died in July, 1931. Judge Neil died in 1924. Their children were Mary Wallace, Virginia, and Florence Neil.

(3) Alice Green was married to H. L. Bentley. Mr. Bentley died in Abilene, Texas August 23, 1933. Mrs. Bentley resides in Abilene. Their children were Gay (daughter) Harry Leigh, Paul, Hampstead and Max Bentley.

(4) Jeanette Green was married to Taylor Hayden of Union City, Tennessee. Mrs. Hayden died in December 1932. Mr. Hayden died in 1912. Their children were Clarence, Hal, Alma, Mary Wallace, Tom.

(5) Tom Green, Jr., was never married. Mr. Green died near Eagle Pass, Texas, in 1886 from injuries sustained from a fall from his horse.

(6) Laura Green was married to Jeremiah Hodgson. Mr. Hodgson died at El Paso in March 1906. Mrs. Hodgson resides in Washington, D. C.. Hal Hodgson was a son of this union.